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In re Application of:

**MANOEL TENORIO**

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Examiner:

**KUEN S. LU**

Art Unit: **2167**

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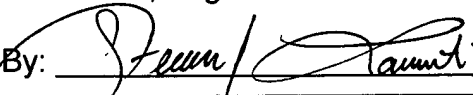
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir/Madam:

Please file the following enclosed documents in the subject application:

1. This Transmittal with Certificate of Mailing;
2. Statement of the Substance of the Interview, in response to Interview Summary Form mailed 16 August 2006; and
3. Our return postcard which we would appreciate you date stamping and returning to us.


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Respectfully submitted,

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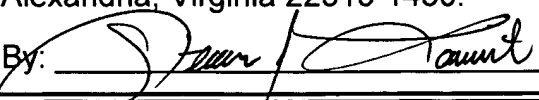
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**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

An Interview Summary Form in the subject Application was mailed to the undersigned on 16 August 2006, which provides for a response period ending 16 September 2006. This Statement of the Substance of the Interview is being filed prior to the ending of the response period 16 September 2006.

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**REMARKS:**

An Interview Summary Form in the subject Application was mailed to the undersigned along with a Notice of Allowance on 16 August 2006. The Interview Summary form was mailed in response to telephonic interviews, conducted on 9 August 2006 and 11 August 2006, between the undersigned, Steven J. Laureanti and Examiner Kuen S. Lu. The Interview Summary Form indicates that the substance of the telephonic interviews must be included in the formal written reply to the last Office Action. (See MPEP Section 713.04). The Interview Summary Form further indicates that if a reply to the last Office Action has already been filed, Applicant is given one month from this interview date, or the mailing date of this Interview Summary Form (16 August 2006), whichever is later, to file a Statement of the Substance of the Interview.

Examiner Lu telephoned the undersigned, Steven J. Laureanti, on 9 August 2006 to conduct a telephone interview on the subject Application. During the telephone interview on 9 August 2006, Examiner Lu asserted that Claims 28, 30, and 42, contained allowable subject matter, but objected to certain informalities. Examiner Lu suggested using an Examiner's Amendment to overcome these certain informalities. In response, the Applicant submitted a proposed Examiner's Amendment to the Examiner, including amendments to Claims 28, 30, and 42, as suggested by the Examiner, via fax on 9 August 2006.

The Applicant respectfully submits that although the Applicant believes Claims 2-11, 13-19, and 21-42 are directed to patentable subject matter, and in condition for allowance without amendment. The Applicant submitted the proposed Examiner's amendment to amended Claims 28, 30, and 42 in an effort to expedite prosecution of this Application and to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. The Applicant further respectfully submits that the amendments to Claims 28, 30, and 42 are not necessitated by any prior art and are unrelated to the patentability of the present invention. By making these amendments, the Applicant makes no admission concerning the merits of the Examiner's previous rejections, and respectfully reserve the right to address any statement or averment of the

Examiner not specifically addressed. Particularly, the Applicant reserves the right to pursue broader claims in this Application or through a continuation patent application. No new matter has been added by the Examiner's amendment.

The Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 2-4, 6, 8-11, 13-15, 17, 19, 21-23, 25, and 27-42 are considered patentably distinguishable over the proposed combination of U.S. Patent No. 6,732,161 to Hess et al. ("*Hess*") in view of U.S. Publication No. 2003/0050958 to Keller, et al. ("*Keller*"). The Applicant further respectfully submits that Claims 5, 7, 16, 18, 24, and 26 are considered patentably distinguishable over the proposed combination of *Hess* in view of *Keller* and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,091,835 to Smithies, et al. ("*Smithies*"). Thus, Claims 2-11, 13-19, and 21-42 are not rendered obvious by the proposed combination of *Hess*, *Keller*, and *Smithies* and are in condition for allowance, as acknowledged by the Examiner in the Notice of Allowance mailed 16 August 2006.

Examiner Lu again telephoned the undersigned, Steven J. Laureanti, on 11 August 2006 to conduct a telephone interview on the subject Application. During the telephone interview on 11 August 2006, Examiner Lu asserted that the Cross Reference to Co-Pending Applications contained certain informalities. Examiner Lu suggested using an Examiner's Amendment to overcome these certain informalities. The Applicant agreed to the Examiner's suggested amendment to the Cross Reference to Co-Pending Applications section of the subject Application appearing at Page 1, Lines 10-15.

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for proposing the Examiner's Amendment and the Notice of Allowance mailed on 16 August 2006. The Applicant is submitting this Statement of the Substance of the Interview prior to the ending of the response period of 16 September 2006.

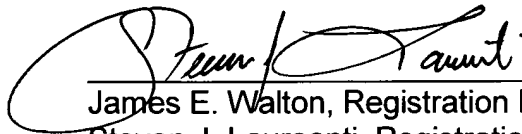
**CONCLUSION:**

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